



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL 2007/08 (CONSTITUTIONAL)

WEDNESDAY MAY 23 2007

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA No. 2

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NOTE: Please note that the above reports have not been circulated seven clear working days in advance of the meeting (council procedure rule 1.2 (1)). Therefore, in accordance with access to information procedure rule (5), the Mayor will be asked to accept the items as late and urgent.

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ITEM 3 APPOINTMENT OF LEADER AND EXECUTIVE, ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMITTEES AND OTHER CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUES - 2007/08 MUNICIPAL YEAR (see pages 1 - 52)

AMENDMENT A1

Moved: Councillor Chris Page
Seconded: Councillor Peter John

Recommendation 6: Size and Composition of Committees

In table on page 2 of main agenda, amend compositions of committee 3 (Disciplinary Appeal Committee) and committee 4 (Audit) as follows:

- Committee 3 (DAC) - Total **8**(9), LD 4, Lab **4**(5), Con 0
- Committee 4 (Audit) - Total **6**(5), LD 2, Lab **3**(2) Con 1

Note: Amended figures shown in bold, recommended figure in bracket.

Note: A replacement amendment to the above amendment was received after the deadline for receipt of amendments.

In recommending that the Labour group relinquish a seat on the disciplinary appeal committee in favour of a seat on the audit committee, it is now proposed that the labour group be allocated an additional seat on the corporate parenting panel instead of the audit committee and the committee numbers be adjusted, as follows:

- Committee 3 (DAC) - Total **8**(9), LD 4, Lab **4**(5), Con 0
- Committee 5 (Corporate Parenting Panel) - Total **8**(7), LD **3**, Lab **4**(3) Con 1

Note: Amended figures shown in bold, recommended figure in bracket.

To consider this further amendment, it will be necessary for council assembly to agree to suspend procedural rule 3.11(2) Notice Required for Amendments.

AMENDMENT A2

Moved: Councillor Chris Page
Seconded: Councillor Peter John

Recommendation 8: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Add to notes:

5. "The chair of overview and scrutiny committee should always be councillor from a non-executive political group or an independent councillor."

AMENDMENT A3

Moved: Councillor Chris Page

Seconded: Councillor Peter John

Recommendation 20: Council Calendar

On page 6 of the main agenda, **insert** October council assembly.

ITEM 4 CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW (see pages 53 - 153)

AMENDMENT B1

Moved: Councillor Lewis Robinson
Seconded: Councillor David Hubber

Recommendation 5: Rules of Debate

Page 58, paragraph 36: **Add** new recommendation 5A -

Council Assembly Procedure Rule 1.16(9) (Rules of debate - Content and length of speeches) be amended as follows:-

Second sentence - After the words "No speech.." and **insert** "by the mover of a motion.."

Third sentence - **delete** "A seconder's speech.." and **insert** "All other speeches.."

So clause 9 reads in full (new text underlined):

"Speeches must be directed to the matter under discussion or to a personal explanation or point of order. No speech by the mover of a motion may exceed five minutes without the consent of the Mayor. All other speeches may not exceed three minutes without the consent of the Mayor."

AMENDMENT B2

Recommendation 6 of item 4, page 58 of main agenda

Delete all after "... to read:" and **insert**:

"delivered before 12.00pm midday on the second working day before the meeting."

Add at end of sections 3.10(1) and 3.11(2) "Amendments will be circulated by 2.00pm the working day before the meeting."

Note: This is a late amendment and will need the suspension of CAPR 3.11(2).

AMENDMENT B3

Moved: Councillor Lewis Robinson
Seconded: Councillor David Hubber

Recommendation 16: Consequential Amendments

That council assembly procedure rule 1.13 Guillotine be amended, as follows:

1. In clause 1, line 1 **delete** all after “conclusion of .. “ and **insert** “start of the meeting.”
2. In clause 4, line 1, after ”Each item of business..” **insert** “specified in clause 1.13(3)”
3. In clause 5 **delete** all and **insert**:
 5. “If there are motions or other business still outstanding at the fall of the guillotine, then subject to clause 1.13(6) all other motions or business not considered shall be put to the vote without debate.”
4. In clause 6 **delete** all and **insert**:

**** Suspension of guillotine rule**

 6. “The guillotine rule can be suspended for up to a maximum of 30 minutes only.

* - Denotes that this rule cannot be suspended.”

Revised wording of clause 1.13 as amended:

1.13 GUILLOTINE

Concluding the meeting

1. The guillotine shall take effect three hours after the start of the meeting.
2. A bell will be rung once the guillotine is reached and the member speaking must immediately sit down.
3. The following outstanding business shall be considered:
 - Any business required by statute
 - Approval of minutes of council assembly
 - Each individual report with a recommendation, be it from the executive, committee or officer
 - Any other business accepted by the Mayor as late and urgent business.

Process for dealing with any outstanding business (Fifteen Minute Debate rule)

4. Each item of business specified in clause 1.13(3) shall be afforded up to a maximum of 15 minutes. If the matter is not concluded within that time the Mayor shall, if appropriate, call upon the mover of the substantive motion to exercise their right of reply and a vote shall be taken. In circumstances where the council is legally obliged to make a decision, but the motion or recommendation voted upon is lost, the Mayor will take motions from the floor, each allocated up to a maximum of 15 minutes, until a decision is reached.

Motions not dealt with

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5. If there are motions or other business still outstanding at the fall of the guillotine, then subject to clause 1.13(6) all other motions or business not considered shall be put to the vote without debate.

*** Suspension of guillotine rule**

6. The guillotine rule can be suspended for up to a maximum of 30 minutes only.

* - Denotes that this rule cannot be suspended.

ITEM 4 CONSTITUTIONAL REVIEW (see pages 53 - 153)

AMENDMENT C1

Moved: Councillor Chris Page
Seconded: Councillor Peter John

An amendment to allow members to ask further additional supplementary questions to executive members during members' question time. These would be related to the point at issue only and would allow councillors with specific ward interests to join the questioning and better hold executive members to account.

Amendment to Item 4

Recommendation 4 – new recommendation 3 (page 57 of main agenda)

Council Assembly Procedure Rule 3.9(9) – Questions by Members, Supplementary questions (page 122 of constitution)

Add new second sentence: "Other councillors with a specific ward interest related to the point at issue may indicate that they wish to ask a further additional supplementary to the member whom the first question was asked."

AMENDMENT C2

Moved: Councillor Chris Page
Seconded: Councillor Peter John

Change the deadline for members' questions so that the written responses are available to members before the date of council assembly. i.e. move that all forward by 24 hours.

Amendment to Item 4

Recommendation 4: Add new recommendation 4 (page 57 of main agenda)

Council Assembly Procedure Rule 3.9(7) – Questions by Members, Circulation of written answers (page 122 of constitution).

On lines 2-3 delete "one hour prior to the commencement of the meeting" and insert "the day prior to the meeting".

AMENDMENT C3

Moved: Councillor Chris Page
Seconded: Councillor Peter John

Amend the Major Projects Board proposals to insert ward councillors onto the project delivery teams.

Amend paragraph 5 of Part 3E (on page 124 of the agenda, Appendix 11) as follows (new words in underlining):

5. Establish project delivery boards ensuring arrangements for stakeholder consultation and involvement are in place, including board representation for ward councillors.

AMENDMENT C4

Moved: Councillor Chris Page

Seconded: Councillor Peter John

Amendment to item 4

Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 2 – Overview and scrutiny committee
(see page 61 of main agenda)

Recommendation 13: in overview scrutiny procedure note add new points 2.3:

“The chair of overview and scrutiny committee should always be councillor from a non-executive political group or an independent councillor.”

Renumber existing point 2.3 as 2.4 in constitution.

AMENDMENT C5

Moved: Councillor Chris Page

Seconded: Councillor Peter John

Alter the recommendation that adds in vice-chair of overview and scrutiny to the call-in waiving powers ordering, removing Mayor and Deputy Mayor altogether and adding in “any two members of OSC”.

Amendment to Item 4

Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 20.1(3) – Decisions for Urgent Implementation

Recommendation 13: Additional recommendation 3 (page 61 of main agenda)

In second paragraph, **delete** last sentence beginning “If there is no chair...” and **insert:**

“If there is no chair or if the chair is unable to act, then the agreement of the vice-chair or in his/her absence any two members of the overview and scrutiny committee will suffice. In the situation where both chair and vice-chair were unable to act the whips of the two largest groups on OSC shall nominate one member each.”

Consequential change to Access to information Procedure Rule 17.2.

AMENDMENT C6

Moved: Councillor Chris Page

Seconded: Councillor Peter John

To give Livesey Ward councillors voting rights at Rotherhithe community council.

Amendment to Item 4

Recommendation 16 (pages 62 and 150 of main agenda)

Article 10 – Community Councils – 10.02(a) Composition of community councils

In “Note on voting rights of Livesey members”:

1. In first bullet point **add at end** “and Rotherhithe community council”.
2. **Delete** second and third bullet points.

ITEM 6 MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES 2007/08 TO 2010/11 (see pages 172 - 183)

AMENDMENT D

Moved: Councillor David Hubber
Seconded: Councillor Lewis Robinson

Amend paragraph 12a of Appendix B (page 179) to read:

“congestion charge, including fines or penalties;”

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2007/08
(see page, paragraph 21 of item 3)

Note: The council is able to send up to **four representatives** with an **allocation of five votes**. The Local Government Association advises that votes can be allocated amongst the representatives as the local authority sees fit. The Local Government Association also encourages local authorities with three or four representatives on the General Assembly to allocate one of the positions to minority group leaders.

Liberal Democrat Nominations	Councillor Nick Stanton (2 votes)
Labour Nominations	Councillor Peter John (1 vote) Councillor Susan Elan Jones (1 vote)
Conservative Nomination	Councillor Toby Eckersley (1 vote)